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For: <u>ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD STIMULATOR DEVICE FOR ANATOMIC</u>								
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SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

- 1. ____ If checked, an abstract is submitted herewith.
- 2. ___ If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
- 3. $\sqrt{}$ If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
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